

News Release



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HOT TIP FOR THE SUMMER

MAKE CAMPING PLANS NOW !!

(Or you may be left out)

SACRAMENTO – If you are planning on going camping this summer, do not wait until the week before you go to find a place and make a reservation. That's the advice from the California State Department of Parks and Recreation.

Last year, the State Department of Parks and Recreation had more than 70 million visitors at the 266 state park facilities. This year, with park fees having been cut in half, an increase of 15 to 20 percent is expected. That means there will be more people competing for campsites located from the beaches to the Sierra, and from the desert to the redwoods. Therefore, act now, or risk disappointment.

Reservations can be made by calling the State Parks information line at 1-800-777-0369, or by visiting the State Parks online site at www.parks.ca.gov.

And don't forget, with fees cut, the annual pass is just \$35.00 this year and it provides access to over 200 state parks.

In addition, since May is State Parks Month, there are special events being held at many parks during the month of May. Check out the state parks events near you by visiting this online site: www.parks.ca.gov/events.

Plan ahead, or be left behind!

California State Parks on the Internet: <<http://www.parks.ca.gov>>